

1. How can ethics be differentiated from morals? Do they both ever contradict each other?
Justify giving examples. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

Morals are a set of frame work standards, belief system which guides actions according to the situation.

Though not imposed by law, social pressure or social obligations guides one morality
eg: Utilitarian morality, Protestant ethic, Buddhism & Stoicism et-al guides morality for a good life

Merely following morality from a superior authority leads to what Socrates called 'unexamined life'. Ethics in this case analyse morality from a teleological & Deontological perspective.

Ethics

- Institutional, objective
~~external~~ internal ✓
- Evolving & self analysing ✓
- Usually a long term process ✓

Morality

- Individual, Subjective
~~internal~~ external ✓
- Static since imposed from above ✓
- Since guided by ~~an~~ external authority not spatial in nature ✓

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Ethics and morality might sound
synonymous but the fact that ethics
is a science of studying moral actions
makes it more comprehensive

Gandhian Movement and
using civil disobedience and
causing disruption was
unethical

BUT it was the moral thing
to do against the
exploitative British Raj

Hence they often contradict each other
eg: morality of a criminal lawyer
a rapist will not be ethically justified

examples need to be more clear

You see a wrongdoing in accounts of your company
professional ethics will demand you to sort out the matter internally and
follow the protocol and let it rest if it was done historically

morality of a biased religious fanatic
however ethics call otherwise

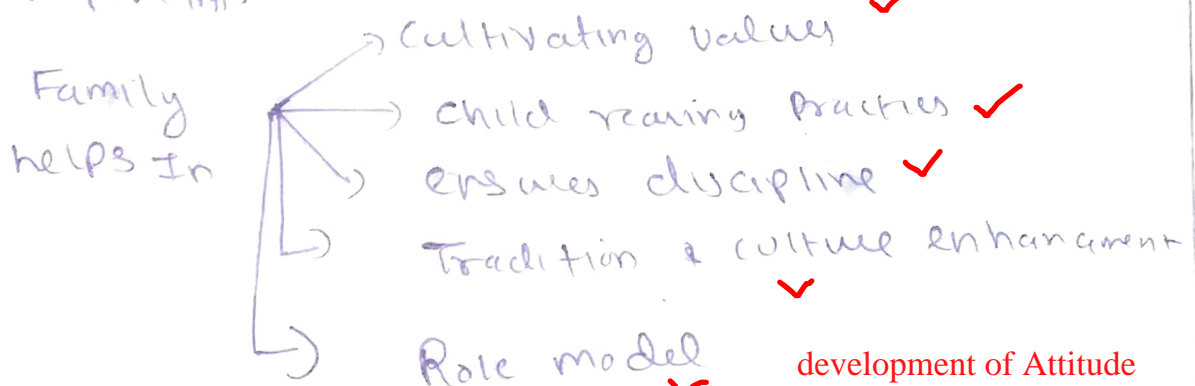
But letting go of such wrongdoing would be immoral for you

There shall always be some
contradiction in such
confusing ideas but as long
as you justify them its good

Discuss the role of the family in inculcating values in your life. What modifications would
you like to make in such values while passing it on to your children? Illustrate with examples
from your life. (10Marks, 150 Words)

"We are not a sum of our own efforts
but a sum of all external forces". In this
regard external forces eg family become
important.

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Since values are internal compass of a human & Since a person spends most time with their family, family role in value generation becomes important

A mother is the first teacher of a child

Role of family in my value ^{Cultivation} ~~incultation~~

- Culture of obedience & respect due to tradition of respecting elders
- Discipline generation
- Conservative and traditional nature has ensured practical orientation towards good
- Provided with Role models in form of Parents & Siblings

Modification for Posterity

add one liners 'why' you would make such modifications too
Good

- Having a culture of debate & discussion
- Allowing open space for all orientations.
- letting children follow their own ambitions
- Guiding children not only at the level of education but substantive value development

to enable a generation to be more decisive, open to criticism

- Culture of toleration & value pluralism & Respect, ~~without taking toleration for~~

Conclusion missing

Q3
Give at least three reasons that why one should study ethics? Give examples from your life where ethics has helped you. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

Ethics is the act of doing right irrespective of the demand or situation, it is about having a 'good will' a will to do right.

Importance of ethics

→ At Individual level

- Self actualization = Socrates says that without ethics no person can in general be at his best.
- will align our actions to what our conscience says.
- "w/o ethics man is a beast loose on the world"

→ At level of state

- when citizens are ethical at individual level, state becomes just as Plato held that 'State is individual writ large'.
- will allow legal & jurisprudence to be just.
- "In a just society law floats in the sea of ethics"

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→ At global level

- It will ensure global peace

1 (Strength of nation is derived at integrity at home)

Environment Ethics is the need of the hour

Ethics has helped me in ~~the~~ Standing upto the minor unethical actions around me. From giving up the seat in metro for elderly to giving light to unknown in nights are driven by my sense of what is ethical to me.

Few months back I choose not to bribe the passport ^{verification} officers who asked for it in lieu of quick actions on documents. Even though my elders suggested to do so.

- Conclusion missing again
- Good usage of thinkers
- Good structure

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Explain how ethics can help in improving the declining values of media today?

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Media is the 4th Pillar of democracy, It not only ensures that news is transmitted but ensures that it is not filtered or biased.

Importance of ethics in media becomes necessary because of the role it plays

- Generates opinion & arguments it.
- Prevents tyranny of majority & excesses of executive
- Not only a mechanism of news but a responsible pillar of democracy

Issues with media currently

- Changing towards Partisan opinion makes
 - Media Trials
 - Journalism without evidence
 - Communal Disharmony
- Instead of showing truth, own versions of truth, generating
 - Fake News
 - Sensationalism by Media
 - Lack of sensitivity shown towards sufferers
- Instead of debates & discussion, turned into noisy 'reality shows'
- Backed by business houses & Pvt. firms hence now TRP driven instead of

truth.

Supreme court has held that Indian voters are not organically developed as voters the role of media in perception generation hence has become important.

Further media houses have been divided into ideological groups

How ethics can help

- Ethical Journalism need a comeback
- Evidence based Journalism
- Bringing back Emotional Intelligence

- Having a moral code of conduct & enforcing it strictly by a Bipartisan body
- focus on truth dispersion instead of generation of own opinion in form of truth.
- Commerce without morality is a deadly sin. Ethics would ensure moral standards in commercial media is followed
- unchecked social media would be also guided by ethical conduct.